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IMPERIAL REVERB

EXPLORING THE POSTCOLONIES OF COMMUNISM

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FRIDAY, MAY 13, 2016

10.00 – 12.30 **PANEL I: PROVINCIALIZING THE POSTCOLONIAL**

CHAIR: EKATERINA PRAVILOVA (*Princeton University*)

DIRK UFFELMANN (*University of Passau*)
Varieties of Nationalism in Polish and Russian
Appropriations of Postcolonial Theory

VIACHESLAV MOROZOV (*University of Tartu*)
Postcolonial Russia: The Figure of the Native and
the Obstruction of Popular Subjectivity

DIANA T. KUDAIBERGENOVA (*University of Cambridge*)
Unidentified Diffusion: The Use and Abuse of Postcolonial
Discourse in Post-Independent Kazakhstan

DISCUSSANT: HARSHA RAM (*UC Berkeley*)

14.00 – 16.30 **PANEL II: WHEN THE SUBALTERN SPEAK**

CHAIR: ELENA FRATTO (*Princeton University*)

ROSSEN DJAGALOV (*New York University*)
Premature Postcolonialists: the Afro-Asian Writers'
Movement from Tashkent to Luanda

IVAN SABLIN & LILIA BOLIACHEVETS (*Higher School of Economics, St. Petersburg*)
The Second or the Fourth World: Critique of Communism
and Colonialism in Contemporary North Asian Literatures

EMILY LASKIN (*UC Berkeley*)
Four Perspectives on the Second World, Tajik Realism, and Soviet Socialism

DISCUSSANT: ARVIND RAJAGOPAL (*New York University*)

17.00 – 19.00 **KEYNOTE ADDRESS**

DAVID CHIONI MOORE (*Macalester College*)
East, West, and South: Complex Asymmetries in
Postcolonial / Post-Soviet Debates Since 2001

SATURDAY, MAY 14, 2016

10.00 – 12.30 **PANEL III: POST-IMPERIAL CLAIMS**

CHAIR: MARGARET H. BEISSINGER (*Princeton University*)

SAYGUN GÖKARIKSEL (*Bogaziçi University*)
Misadventures of Transitional Justice: Rightwing
Lustration in "Postcolonial" Poland

CHOI CHATTERJEE (*California State University*)
Whom Does a Woman Speak For in a Post-World Order? The
Case for and against Anna Politkovskaya and Arundhati Roy

ALBERT DOJA (*University of Lille*)
Post-imperial Truth Claims and Postcolonial Knowledge
Production in the Post-Communist Balkans

DISCUSSANT: RONALD GRIGOR SUNY (*University of Michigan*)

14.00 – 15.45 **PANEL IV: DEVELOPMENT AND ITS AFTERMATH**

CHAIR: KATHERINE M.H. REISCHL (*Princeton University*)

MALIKA BOHAVODINOVA (*Indiana University*) &
ARTEMY M. KALINOVSKY (*University of Amsterdam*)
Internationalism and (Post)Colonialism: Central Asia
and the Soviet Development Paradigm

YURI BOYANIN (*La Trobe University*)
Civilization Lost: Visual and Sound Narratives of Communism in Ruins

DISCUSSANT: JOHANNA BOCKMAN (*George Mason University*)

16.00 – 18.30 **PANEL V: BORDERS IN FLUX**

CHAIR: MICHAEL KUNICHKA (*Institute for Advanced Study, Princeton*)

ZSUZSA GILLE (*University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign*)
Postcoloniality in 3D: The East-European New Right Wing's Cognitive Map

KEVIN M. F. PLATT (*University of Pennsylvania*)
White Skin, Black Masks: Dual Domination on
the Border of the Soviet Post-Colony

NATALIYA TCHERMALYKH (*Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies, Geneva*)
A Metaphor, a Map and a Flag: Art as a (Public) Space
of Reflection on Post-Soviet Coloniality

DISCUSSANT: EDYTA BOJANOWSKA (*Rutgers University*)

SUNDAY, MAY 15, 2016

10.00 – 12.30 **PANEL VI: POSTCOLONIAL ASSEMBLAGES**

CHAIR: PERRY SHEROUSE (*Princeton University*)

MEHRENEGAR ROSTAMI (*UCLA*)
"Frozen Music:" Imperialist Formations in Soviet and Post-Soviet Central Asia

MARIA SONEVYTSKY (*Bard College*)
Ethno-Chaos: Provincializing Russia through Ukrainian "World Music"

VESELA WARNER (*University of Alabama at Birmingham*)
Performing Imperialism in Postcommunist Yugoslavia:
Nation and Memory in the "Skopje 2014" Project

DISCUSSANT: NARIMAN SKAKOV (*Stanford University*)

13.00 – 14.30 **PANEL VII: STRUCTURES OF DECOLONIZATION**

CHAIR: SERGUEI OUSHAKINE (*Princeton University*)

ŁUKASZ STANEK (*University of Manchester*)
Memories of an Encounter: Eastern European Architects in
West Africa during the Cold War

NARI SHELEKPAYEV (*Université de Montréal*)
Astana as an Imperial Project: Kazakhstan and its Wandering Capitals.

DISCUSSANT: TARIK CYRIL AMAR (*Columbia University*)

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